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WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF PRICE

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OFFICE OF PRICE MEMORANDUM NO. 2, REVISION 1

Procedure Relating to Office of Price

Office of Price Memorandum No. 2, dated March 25, 1944, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Price Review Committee

- (a) A Price Review Committee is hereby established to assist the Director of Price in the coordination and general supervision of the activities of the War Food Administration relating to price support programs, price stabilization operations, and the approval of maximum price regulations. The Committee will consist of the following or their alternates:

Director of Price, Chairman
Chief, Agricultural Adjustment Agency
Director of Marketing Services
President, Commodity Credit Corporation
Director of Basic Commodities, CCC
Director of Supply, CCC
Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Economics
Director of Finance
Solicitor



- (b) The Committee will meet on the call of the Chairman and will perform such functions in addition to those set forth in this memorandum as the Administrator or the Director of Price may specify.

2. Development of price support and subsidy programs

Price support and subsidy programs for each commodity will be formulated by, and dockets relating to such programs will be prepared by, the agency to which responsibility for formulating such programs for the commodity is assigned by, or pursuant to, Administrator's Memorandum No. 27, Revision 1. The agency responsible for formulating any such program, in addition to any other means used to obtain the assistance, comments, and recommendations of other interested agencies, will present its proposal in the formative stage, and prior to discussion of the proposal with any industry advisory committee or other group, to the Office of Price for consideration by the Price Review Committee.

3. Approval of maximum price regulations

Copies of proposed maximum price regulations received from the Office of Price Administration will be submitted by the Office of Price to the Solicitor and each agency having responsibility for programs which would be affected by the regulation. Each such agency will submit to the Office of Price a memorandum of recommendation to the Administrator with respect to the proposed regulation, together with a suggested letter for the Administrator's signature in the event disapproval or modification is recommended. The Solicitor, after consultation with the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, will include in his recommendation information as to the relation of the proposed maximum prices to statutory requirements.

4. Consultations with other agencies

- (a) Except as the Administrator or the Director of Price may otherwise specify, all consultations and participation on behalf of the War Food Administration with the Office of Price Administration in the development or modification of any maximum price regulation, or in connection with the approval of any such regulation, will be performed by the agency to which primary responsibility for such activities with respect to the commodity covered by the regulation is assigned, as follows:

Agricultural Adjustment Agency: feed (except grains), seed (except vegetable seed), fertilizer, and other production facilities.

Commodity Credit Corporation: wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice, peanuts, peanut butter, soybeans, flaxseed, cottonseed, fats and oils (except essential oils), feed grains, popcorn, dry beans, dry peas, potatoes, sweet potatoes, sugarcane, sugar beets, raw sugar, poultry, eggs, wool, mohair, hemp, fibre flax, and gum naval stores.

Office of Marketing Services: All other commodities.

Any of the foregoing assignments may be changed by the Director of Price if he determines that such action will facilitate the coordination of activities relating to maximum price regulations for a commodity with activities relating to price support and subsidy programs.

- (b) Each agency will advise the Office of Price of any request by the Office of Price Administration for consultation in connection with any maximum price regulation, will consult all other interested agencies of War Food Administration before putting forward any proposal, and will arrange for participation by such other agencies in consultations with the Office of Price Administration, industry advisory committees, and other groups. Any differences of view will be referred to the Office of Price and, whenever practicable, will be considered by the Price Review Committee. Each agency will also furnish the Office of Price a written report of the developments of each conference and copies of all correspondence with the Office of Price Administration.

- (c) All consultations with the Office of Economic Stabilization which relate to maximum price regulations, price support programs, or price stabilization operations will be performed by, or at the direction of, the Administrator or the Director of Price.

5. Routing of documents

- (a) After clearance with other interested agencies and offices of the War Food Administration, all dockets, press releases, jacketed correspondence, memoranda to the Administrator, and any correspondence expressing policy, which relate to maximum price regulations, price support programs, or price stabilization operations will be routed to the Office of Price for appropriate action.
- (b) All correspondence received by the War Food Administration from the Office of Price Administration, the Office of Economic Stabilization, and other agencies, which relates to maximum price regulations, price support programs, or price stabilization operations will be routed to the Office of Price. The Office of Price will furnish copies to each interested agency and will indicate the agency responsible for the preparation of replies or other appropriate action.

H.B. Boyd

Director of Price

APPROVED: June 12, 1945

Warren Jones

Administrator

